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## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-13 and 15-26 are pending in the present application. Claims 5, 7, 9 and 14 have been canceled and claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 11-13, 15, 20, 25 and 26 have been amended by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, the specification and title were objected to; claims 20 and 25 were objected to; claim 14 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph; claims 1-4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Gusack; claims 1, 5, 6 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Robertson; claims 12 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Bates in view of Robertson; claims 15, 20 and 25 were indicated as allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections noted in the Office Action; claims 16-19, 21-24 and 26 were allowed; claims 7, 8, 10 and 11 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form; and claim 14 was indicated as allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as set forth in the Office Action and to be in independent form.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter. In light of this indication, independent claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter recited in dependent claims 5 and 7, dependent claim 10 has been rewritten in independent

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form and independent claim 12 has been amended to include the subject matter recited in dependent claim 14. Further, the appropriate claims have been amended in light of the objections and rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted dependent claims are allowable and the rejections noted in the Office Action are moot.

The specification and title have also been amended in light of the objections noted in the Office Action.

## **CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, **Daniel Y.J. Kim**, at the telephone number listed below.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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